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Docket No: 13768.73



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Richard C. Machin, et al.

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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND COMPUTER
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR REPRESENTING
AND CONNECTING AN UNDERLYING
CONNECTION-ORIENTED DEVICE IN A
KNOWN FORMAT

Examiner: Charles E. Anya

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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action of April 1, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the pending claims in view of the amendments and the remarks herein.

Amendments made herein are in accordance with the permissive rules released June 30, 2003 (see <http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/revamdtprac.htm>).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim listing beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.